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In re Letters Patent of:  
Errico et al.

Patent No.: 7,223,290

Issued: May 29, 2007

For: AXIALLY COMPRESSIBLE ARTIFICIAL  
INTERVERTEBRAL DISC HAVING A  
CAPTURED BALL AND SOCKET JOINT  
WITH A SOLID BALL AND  
COMPRESSION LOCKING POST

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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.323**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Certificate of Correction with respect to the above-identified U.S. Patent. You are hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 12-1095 in the amount of \$100 to cover the required fee for filing a Certificate of Correction under § 1.323.

The application as originally filed on August 15, 2003, correctly listed priority information as a "***continuing application of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/256,160***".

Subsequent to the filing of the '290 patent, the prosecuting attorney filed an Amendment on March 22, 2006 which listed incorrect domestic priority information as a

***"continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/256,160".***

Applicants respectfully request that the corrections as indicated be made. These errors were inadvertent, occurred in good faith and do not involve any changes with constitute new matter.

We look forward to early return of the Certificate of Correction duly certified.

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Respectfully submitted,

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